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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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10 DAVID SINGLETARY,

11 Plaintiff,

12 vs.

13 RITALBEN, INC., a California Corporation,
14 DBA CICCIOTTIS TRATTORIA ITALIANA
15 and SEAFOOD; GAETANO CICCIOTTI,
16 And DOES 1 through 100, inclusive
Defendant

Case No.: '07 CV 2 022 JM
(SDSC Case #: 37-2007-55367-CU-CR-NC)

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ANSWER OF RITALBEN, INC. and
GAETANO CICCIOTTI

17 Defendants, Ritalben, Inc. and Gaetano Cicciotti, erroneously sued as Gaetan Cicciotti,
18 answer the Complaint:

19 1. Ritalben, Inc. and Gaetano Cicciotti ["Defendants"] allege they are without
20 knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in
21 paragraph 1 of the Complaint.

22 2. Defendants admit the allegations of paragraph 2.

23 3. Defendants allege they are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a
24 belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Complaint.

25 4. Paragraph 4 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
26 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
27 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
28 contained in paragraph 4 of the Complaint.

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1 5. Defendants allege they are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a
2 belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 5 of the Complaint.

3 6. Defendants allege they are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a
4 belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the Complaint.

5 7. Defendants allege they are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a
6 belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the Complaint.

7 8. Paragraph 8 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
8 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
9 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
10 contained in paragraph 8 of the Complaint.

11 9. Paragraph 9 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
12 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
13 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
14 contained in paragraph 9 of the Complaint.

15 10. Paragraph 10 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
16 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
17 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
18 contained in paragraph 10 of the Complaint.

19 11. Defendants deny the allegations of paragraph 11.

20 12. Paragraph 12 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
21 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
22 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
23 contained in paragraph 12 of the Complaint.

24 13. Paragraph 13 of the Complaint contains conclusions of law which require no
25 response. To the extent that the paragraph contains factual allegations Defendants allege they
26 are without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
27 contained in paragraph 13 of the Complaint.
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1 **FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

2 The Complaint fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

3 **SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

4 The Complaint and each of its claims are barred by the applicable statutes of limitations.

5 **THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

6 Plaintiff's Complaint, and each cause of action therein, is barred, in whole or in part, by
7 the doctrine of unclean hands.

8 **FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

9 Plaintiff's claims are barred under Cal. Code Civ. Proc. §430.10(f) on the ground that the
10 allegations are uncertain, ambiguous and unintelligible.

11 **FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

12 Plaintiff has not suffered, and will not suffer, any irreparable harm based on the
13 allegations in the Complaint.

14 **SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

15 Plaintiff's claims fail to state facts sufficient to support an award of attorney's fees.

16 **SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

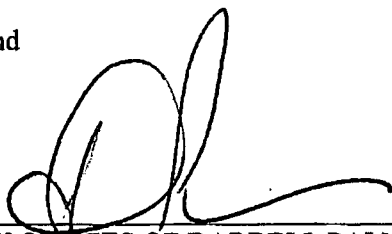
17 Plaintiff's claims are barred because Plaintiff's requests for damages are speculative and
18 uncertain.

19 **PRAYER**

20 **WHEREFORE**, Defendants pray judgment:

- 21 1. That Plaintiff takes nothing by this action;
22 2. For Defendant's costs of this suit;
23 3. For Defendant's attorneys' fees; and
24 4. For all other appropriate relief.

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26 Dated: October 18, 2007

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28 **LAW OFFICES OF DARRELL PALMER**
Darrell Palmer, Attorneys for Defendants

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1 **Re: Singletary v. Ritalben, Inc., et. al.**
2 **Case No.:**

3 **DECLARATION OF SERVICE**
4 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

5 I, MICHELLE MELTON, declare as follows:

6 I am employed with the Law Offices of Darrell Palmer whose address is 603 N Hwy
7 101, Ste A, Solana Beach, CA 92075. I am readily familiar with the business practices of this
8 office for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal
9 Service; I am over the age of eighteen (18) and I am not a party to this action.

10 On October 18, 2007, I caused to be served the following:

11 **ANSWER OF RITALBEN, INC. AND GAETANO CICCIOOTTI**

12 on the interested parties:

13 **M. Eric Parkan, Esq.**
14 **Center for Disability Access, LLP**
15 **100 E. San Marcos Blvd., Suite 400**
16 **San Marcos, CA 92069-2988**

17 ☐ by placing a copy in a separate envelope addressed to each addressee as indicated
18 below and personally delivering it to the above named persons.

19 ☐ by sending a copy via overnight mail. Airbill No. _____.

20 ☒ by placing a copy in a separate envelope, with postage fully prepaid, for each
21 address named on the attached service list for collection and mailing on the above
22 indicated day following the ordinary business practices of our offices

23 ☐ by sending a copy via facsimile transmission to the facsimile number(s) indicated
24 below. The facsimile machine I used complied with California Rules of Court,
25 Rule 2003, and no error was reported by machine. Pursuant to California Rules of
26 Court, Rule 2006(d), I caused the machine to print a transmission record of the
27 transmission, a copy of which is attached to this declaration.

28 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the
foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Solana Beach, California.


Michelle M. Melton

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